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"Let reverence for laws be breathed by every American mother to the lisping babe that prattles on her lap; let it be taught in schools, in seminaries and colleges; let it be written in primers, spelling books and almanacs; let it be preached from the pulpit, proclaimed in legislative halls, and enforced in courts of justice. And in short, let it become the political religion of the nation; and let the old and the young, the rich and the poor, the grave and the gay of all sexes and tongues and colors and conditions, sacrifice unceasingly upon its altars."

DAY, FEB. 22, 1916

Weather forecast for South Carolina: Fair and somewhat warmer Tuesday; Wednesday fair.

What of the hospital? Why this strange silence?

Remember that Pay-up Week began yesterday. Are you observing it?

Preparedness is going to cost something but what good thing does not?

We have need of night schools in Lancaster county. The volunteer pupils are many but the teachers all too few.

We must say that we have no regrets at the departure of the Southeastern Underwriters' association from the State.

The town as well as the individual should undertake a thorough campaign of spring cleaning. It is not too early to begin to swat the fly.

There is one thing upon which all of us can agree and that is that the legislature carried out the wishes of the people in the enactment of an out and out prohibition law.

We are glad that the State Hospital for the Insane is no longer to be a football in politics. The governor's action in placing Dr. Williams at the head of the institution was ratified by the senate.

On this, the one hundred and eighty-four anniversary of the birth of Washington, we may well recall his belief in preparedness. In 1776 the first president of the United States said, "There's nothing so likely to produce peace as to be well prepared to meet the enemy."

We have a number of large business concerns in Lancaster and we are proud of every one of them but we need other pay rolls yet and therefore welcome new enterprises large or small. This town and county offer inducements to newcomers. No better location for a business can be chosen than Lancaster affords.

The Charleston Post makes the following comment on the stale humor of the minstrel show, which Lancastrians will doubtless appreciate after a recent experience with this form of entertainment:

The minstrel show demonstrates time and again the fact that there are always a few people who haven't heard even the oldest joke; others, who laugh before they recall it; and others who laugh anyhow, bless 'em.

A correspondent to The State from Rock Hill says that to his knowledge there is not an automobile association or an automobile dealers association in South Carolina, in which statement the correspondent displays his ignorance. Lancaster has a live automobile association organized early last October. "Lancaster leads" the "good town" of Rock Hill and other South Carolina towns in this respect.

## SPRING CLEANING TIME.

Careful housekeepers are beginning to plan their spring operations at house cleaning and many, armed with brooms, mops and other implements are already actually engaged in the great annual conflict with dirt. These good women set an example well worthy of adoption on a large scale by others. We are proud of the way Main street is kept. It is swept daily and presents a most attractive appearance.

But there is need of improvement in the condition of the back lots and alleys of the town. And the cleaning up of these places should come before warm weather overtakes us and the germs that now lie dormant spread disease. These breeding places of flies and mosquitoes should be destroyed. Decaying vegetable matter is a menace to health and we cannot afford for it to do its dangerous work. In order to obviate the danger to which such accumulations of garbage or other trash subjects us, we must remove it. We need concert of action in this as in every other undertaking. Why not then settle upon a day or days, have the date advertised and make a good job of spring cleaning? The individual should be asked to cooperate, the business houses also, and the town authorities could see that it is carried out. No premises, street lot or alley should be overlooked in this important campaign. Let it be done thoroughly and let it be done as early as possible. And, in conclusion, we would urge the individual property owners to consider the importance of this work. Everyone who has eyes to see must observe to the need of spring cleaning. Improved sanitary conditions are a necessity and not an imaginary need.

## TIME NEARLY OUT.

The time for corporations and individuals to file their annual returns with the internal revenue collector at Columbia will expire March 1, after which delinquents will be penalized and their tax increased 50 per cent. Under the United States statute all corporations, without reference to what their incomes may be, are required to make returns, which must be signed by two individual officers before a notary or other officer with a seal. Failure to receive blanks does not relieve a corporation or individual for failure to make returns, which must be in the hands of the collector on or before March 1.

## FIELD DAY PLANS.

County School Gathering to Be Held Friday, March 31.

There is a growing interest in all the schools of the county in the 1916 field day which will be observed in Lancaster the last day of next month, Friday, March 31. The activities of teachers and pupils alike will make this day an event long to be remembered by all who participate in it.

The exercises will begin on the morning of March 31 and continue throughout the day. A line of march will be formed on the Central Graded school campus, will proceed down Main street and return to the Central school, where the assembled hosts of school children of Lancaster county will sing the state hymn, "Carolina." After prayer, offered by one of the local ministers, Mayor C. D. Jones will deliver an address of welcome. Then will follow a response on behalf of the teachers by Miss Laura Therrell of Heath Springs. After the singing of "America" by the children, the mental contests will begin. Medals of gold, silver and bronze will be awarded to the successful contestants in several of these contests. These have been ordered and will be placed on exhibit in the local jewelry stores. It is thought that the merchants of Lancaster will offer prizes for those who excel in spelling, reading, map-drawing and arithmetic as well as for the successful contestants in the nine athletic events, which will take place at the dinner hour.

The high school boys and girls of Lancaster will serve dinner that day to all teachers and contestants. The field day exercises will close with a basketball game between the Heath Springs and Lancaster teams.

## COUNTY SCHOOL TRUSTEES MEET

Large Attendance—Hon. Claud N. Sapp Principal Speaker.

The annual Lancaster County School Trustees meeting was held at the Court House Saturday morning, February 19th, beginning promptly at 11 a. m. The session was called to order by the president, W. H. Draffin, and the minutes of the last meeting were read and approved. A petition which had been circulated the county over among the trustees, to raise the salary of the County School Superintendent to \$1000 per year was received as information. Other matter was discussed in a brief way; after which, Hon. Claud N. Sapp was presented as the speaker of the occasion.

Mr. Sapp discussed rural school work from every angle and his earnest and convincing logic was listened to with great interest. He said in part: "You trustees have a great responsibility resting upon your shoulders in the capacity of being a trustee of your school—you are the whole pulse of your community from an educational standpoint. It is true that all the school work is shifted to your shoulders, and while the patrons of a school should not do this, yet it is done and it is up to you to look out for the educational welfare of that community. South Carolina is awakening to the need of practical education and Lancaster county must not hesitate in doing her part."

"You trustees should keep in direct touch with your County Superintendent of Education. You elect him and pay his salary for the purpose of looking after your interest from an educational standpoint, so why don't you use him?"

Mr. Sapp urged the necessity of a night school to be operated at least 20 nights each season at each schoolhouse throughout the county. He stated: "You already have your teachers, you pay their salaries, so why not utilize them." He urged the trustees to so work for the up-building of their schools, that the boys and girls could step direct from the rural school to the various state institutions of their choice without the expense of having to go to some preparatory school for a while between the time they leave the rural school and the time of entrance in the state educational institution.

Mr. Sapp discussed many features of the school trustee work, which was greatly appreciated by those present. At the conclusion of his address, Prof. Westinger and Prof. Connors both made brief but interesting talks.

Prof. V. A. Lingle made his annual report, showing that the schools had made material increase in school matters during the past year and much greater results are expected this year. He urged the trustees to select their teachers for the next year as soon as possible.

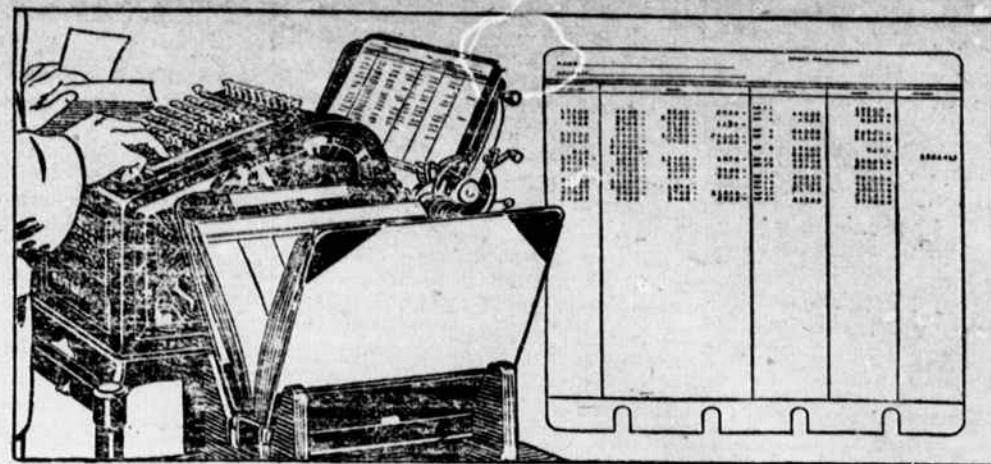
There were fifty-one trustees present, the largest number ever present at a similar conference, and each one returned to his home fully convinced that now is the time to work for the general improvement of the educational facilities of Lancaster county.

## LIEUT. HILLIARD.

Lancaster Boy at Home on Month's Leave.

Lieutenant John Hilliard, U. S. N., son of Mr. A. D. Hilliard arrived home yesterday after an absence of four years. He has just returned from a cruise in Asiatic waters and has visited China, Japan and the Philippines. He came back by Honolulu where he spent five days, stopping also at Guam and Wake Islands. Lieut. Hilliard landed in Seattle on Puget Sound, February 8th and will spend a month in Lancaster. He has been detailed for shore duty at Boston.

John Hilliard is a boy of whom Lancaster has reason to be proud. After finishing the Lancaster High School, he won in competitive examination, a scholarship to the Citadel, later winning an appointment to the Naval Academy where he was graduated several years ago. He is now a junior lieutenant in the navy. Lieut. Hilliard's friends are glad to welcome him home again.



## A New Machine At The First National Bank

This machine is really a wonderful set of steel brains which we are putting to work in our accounting department.

With it we can handle our figure work faster than ever before and at the same time be sure that every item in our books is right.

## Helps Us Give You Better Service

By the machine method, every depositor's account is kept in balance all the time and there are no mistakes such as are unavoidable with other ways of handling figures.

The time saving made possible by the machine gives us an opportunity to improve the service to our customers in all departments of the bank.

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It prints dates, adds your deposits to the old balance, subtracts checks, figures and prints your new balance. All of this is done automatically. The operator simply writes the amounts on the keyboard—the machine shifts from column to column and adds, subtracts, or prints, the date as desired, without the least attention being necessary.

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Lancaster, S. C.

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Mast Earl Faulkinlery.  
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Jim Bolds.  
Mrs. Claniel Barbwan.  
Miss Katie Barnes.  
Moses Norman.  
Albert McAlwaine.  
Mrs. Sarah McKinney.  
George Laimey.  
J. M. Lowery.  
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Miss Luease Wight.  
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Masl Ingram.  
Mrs. Essie Burns, (special delivery.)

When calling for above letters please say advertised.

Jas. F. Hunter,  
Postmaster.

## An Excellent Idea.

This is mighty good split-log drag weather. And this simple road improvement machine can be so cheaply operated, too. It wouldn't be a bad idea for automobiles to take along a drag as a trailer.—Edgefield Advertiser.

## Need Not Fear Competition.

The local merchant who uses the advertising columns of his home paper, keeps the goods the people want and makes his prices right, need have no fear of competition. It will make him, as it has made others before him.—Calhoun Advance.

## CONGRATULATIONS BY JUDGE JONES

Judge Ira B. Jones Sends Birthday Greetings to The State.

The following was sent The Columbia State by Judge Ira B. Jones on the 25th anniversary of the founding of the paper:

To the Editor of The State: Hearty congratulations on your 25th birthday and your great career as a newspaper.

Ira B. Jones.

Lancaster.

## SPECIAL VALUES

All This Week in Cotton Goods.

We bought Cotton Goods early and have them to offer to the trade at old prices. As every one knows there has been considerable advance in all lines of Cotton Goods. Better act quick and buy your Spring supply while they are going at old prices.

10 pieces 30 inch Beach Cloth in natural color value 25c special all this week.....12 1-2c  
25 pieces Lake Side Chambrays, all good styles and colors absolutely fast, special.....10c  
50 pieces best grade Manchester Cambric Percales, wide range of patterns to select from and colors warranted fast, special.....12 1-2c

One case Poe Mills Bleaching, a real soft finish cloth just the weight so much in demand for muslin underwear. Special all this week.....8 1-2c

Our buyer is now in the northern markets selecting spring stock. Watch this space for announcement of new arrival of spring merchandise.

## The J. T. Wylie Company

"THE STORE THAT ALWAYS SHOWS SOMETHING NEW"

## NOTICE OF DISCHARGE.

Notice is hereby given that the undersigned will, as Administrator of the estate of Garret Sims, deceased, on the 17th day of March, 1916, make his final return as such and apply to the Probate Court of Lancaster county for letters of discharge.

GEO. W. McMANUS,  
Executor Estate of said deceased.  
Feb. 15th, 1916—4t—Tuesday.

The Quinine That Does Not Affect The Head Because of its tonic and laxative effect. LAXATIVE BROMO QUININE is better than ordinary Quinine and does not cause nervousness or ringing in head. Remember the full name and look for the signature of H. W. GROVE, 25c.

## Books To Be Open.

The books of subscription to the capital stock of Harper Hardware company will be open at R. S. Harper's shop on Saturday, Feb. 19th, 1916, between the hours of 10 a. m. and 4 p. m.

Robert S. Harper,  
A. F. Giles,  
Coporators.

Invigorating to the Pale and Sickly The Old Standard general strengthening tonic. GROVE'S TASTELESS CHILL TONIC drives out Malaria, engenders the blood, and builds up the system. A true tonic. For Quinine and other ailments. 50c